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**RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

This response and request for reconsideration addresses each concern raised in the second official communication mailed June 16, 2005. In that communication the examiner raised Section 102 concerns with respect to claims 69-71, 79-81, 82/80, 84 and 85. Claims 72, 82/81 and 83 were found allowable subject to being rewritten in independent form. The applicant further submits a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 to extend the time in which to respond to the second official action until December 16, 2005 and a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, accompanied by the appropriate fees.